

REMARKS

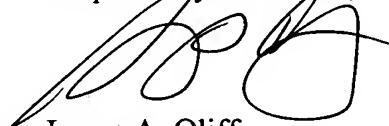
Claims 1-5 and 7-22 are pending in this application. By this Amendment, claims 1-5, 13-17 and 19-22 are amended. No new matter is added. Reconsideration in view of the above amendments and the following remarks is respectfully requested.

The Office Action objects to claim 13 in the February 6, 2007 Amendment for failing to show underlining and strikethrough for the addition or deletion of text. The Office Action also objects to the phrase "triangular filtering" in claims 18-22. To obviate these objections, a replacement set of claims is provided in which claim 13 is amended to comply with the underlining and strikethrough requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.121(c) and reverting claims 18-22 to the prior "two-dimensional filtering" language.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 1-5 and 7-22 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

Respectfully submitted,



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